

Title II Project Application
Medford District Resource Advisory Committee

Project Number (Assigned by federal unit): 116-411 **AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \$4,840.00

2. **Project Name:** Hinkle Gulch Gates 3. **County:** Jackson
4. **Project Sponsor:** BLM 5. **Date:** Feb. 19, 2003
6. **Sponsors Phone # :** (541)618-2320
7. **Sponsor's E-mail:** mbroyles@or.blm.gov
8. **Project Location** (attach project area map)
a. 4th Field Watershed Name and HUC #(if known): Applegate
b. 5th Field Watershed Name and HUC #(if known): Applegate, Middle
c. Legal Location:
Township T38S Range 4W Section(s) 33 & 34
d. BLM District Medford e. BLM Resource Area Ashland
f. National Forest _____ g. Forest Service District _____
h. State / Private / Other lands involved? ☐ Yes ☒ No

9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives:

Installation of gates would allow BLM to seasonally restrict access on roads in close proximity to a recently discovered golden eagle nest in order to comply with Medford District RMP of 1995, and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act of 1940. Additionally, these gates would allow seasonal closure of one mile of natural surface road during the wet season. Wet season closure would protect the natural surface road from damage. The Closure period would be from approximately November 15 to July 30.

10. Project Description: (Provide concise description of project and attach map.)

Install two gates which would allow for seasonal closure of portions of two BLM roads 38-4-35.3 and 38-4-33.0. Procurement mechanisms already exist for the construction and installation of the gates by private contractor. Requested funds would be used to cover contract costs and BLM labor costs associated with project design, contract preparation, and administration of the contract during actual installation of the gates.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?

☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, then describe.

12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]

☒ Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]

☒ Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

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13. Project Type (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): _____ [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)] | <input type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)] |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)] | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)] | <input type="checkbox"/> Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)] | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)] |

14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]

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| a. Total Acres: <u>n/a</u> | b. Total Miles: <u>protect nat. surf. road, 1 mile</u> |
| c. No. Structures: <u>2 gates</u> | d. Estimated People Reached (for environmental education projects): _____ |
| e. No. of Laborer Days: _____ | |
| f. Other (specify): _____ | |

15. Duration of Project and Estimated Completion Date [Sec. 203(b)(2)]: Depending on contractor availability, project could be completed as soon as 30 days after funding approval.

16. Target Species Benefited: (if applicable) Golden Eagle

17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? [Sec. 2(b)(3)]: Installing gates instead of berms and trenches would allow federal, state and private users to use the roads for part of the year. This makes work related and recreational use of the area easier than if trenches and berms were to be used. This helps maintain an attitude of cooperation between many users of the area and the BLM.

18. How is this project in the best public interest? [Sec. 203(b)(7)] **Identify benefits to communities?** Installing gates would allow the BLM to leave the road open for part of the year rather than blocking it off entirely with berms and trenches. Gates allow the road to be a viable escape route for the Tallowbox ODF fire lookout. A year-round closure with berms and trenches would not allow this road to function as an escape route. The community benefits by having a rare resource (eagle nest) protected and a natural surface road protected from damage by vehicle use when it is wet.

19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources? These gates would protect nesting eagles and complements the Medford District RMP of 1995 and the Bald and Golden Eagle protection Act of 1940

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20. Status of Project Planning

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| a. NEPA Complete: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| b. If No, give est. date of completion: _____ | | | |
| c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| e. Survey & Manage Complete: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| f. DSL/ODFW* Permits Obtained: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| g. DLS/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| h. SHPO* Concurrence Received: | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| i. Project Design(s) Completed: | Yes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | *** <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |

* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer.

***Gates have been designed, but BLM still needs to determine best locations for installation and mark them on the ground.

21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____ | |

22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials? (Sec. 204(e)(3))

- ☐ Yes ☒ No

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23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]

- a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$ 4,840.00
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? Yes ☒ No ☐ If yes, then display by fiscal year
c. FY04 Request: \$4,840.00 d. FY05 Request: \$ 0
e. FY06 Request: \$ 0

| Item | Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)] | Requested County Title II Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)] | Other Contributions [Sec. 203(b)(4)] | Total Available Funds |
|--|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| 24. Field Work & Site Surveys | None needed | 0 | | 0 |
| 25. NEPA & Sec.7 ESA Consultation | N/A | 0 | | 0 |
| 26. Permit Acquisition | N/A/ | 0 | | 0 |
| 27. Project Design & Engineering | N/A | \$150.00 | | \$150.00 |
| 28. Contract Preparation | | \$100.00 | | \$100.00 |
| 29. Contract Administration | | \$250.00 | | \$250.00 |
| 30. Contract Cost | | \$3,900.00 | | \$3,900.00 |
| 31. Workforce Cost | | 0 | | 0 |
| 32. Materials & Supplies | | 0 | | 0 |
| 33. Monitoring | | 0 | | 0 |
| 34. Other | | 0 | | 0 |
| 35. Project Subtotal | | \$4,4000 | | \$4,4000 |
| 36. Indirect Costs (Overhead) (per year for multiple year projects) | | \$440.00 | | \$440.00 |
| 37. Total Cost Estimate | \$ | \$4,840.00 | \$ | \$4,840.00 |

38. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding in Column C. Above [Sec. 203(b)(4)]

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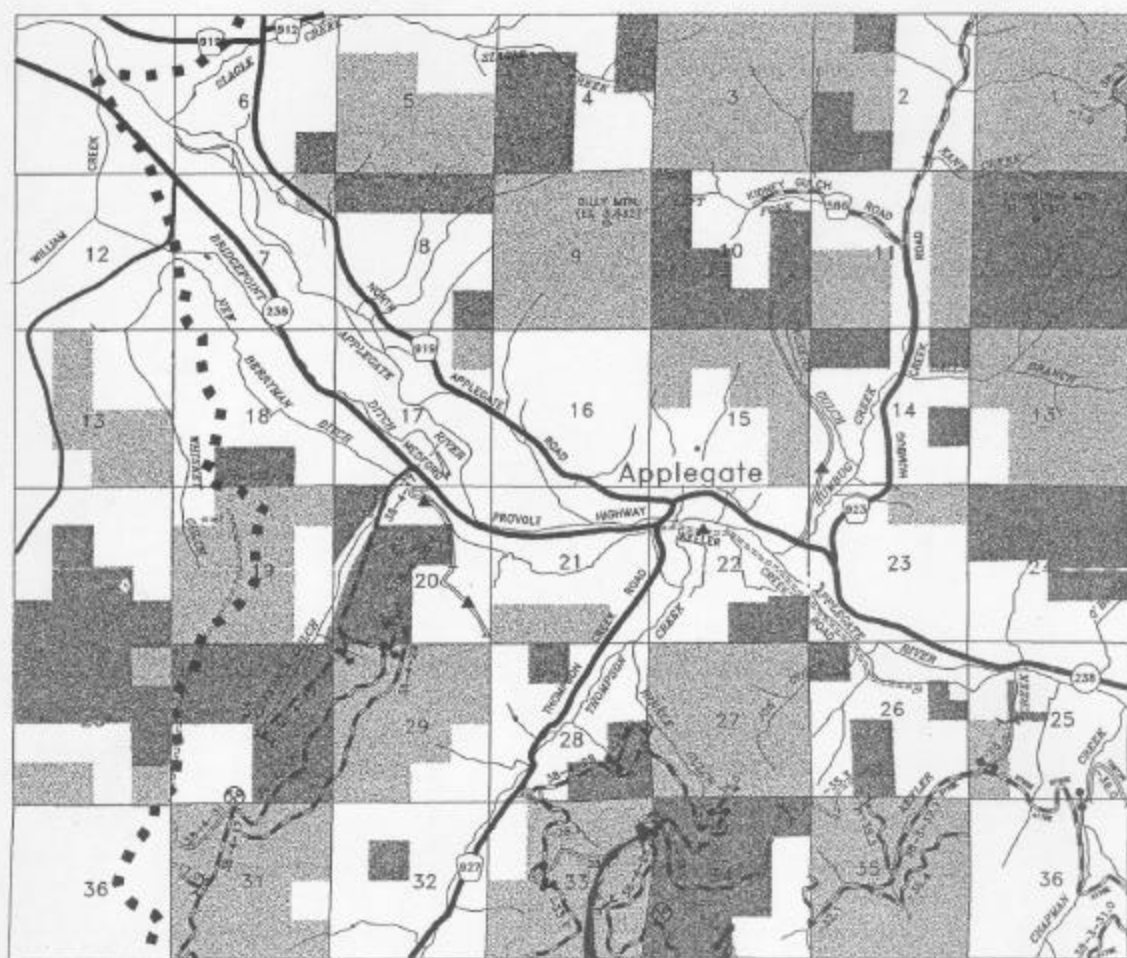
39. Monitoring Plan (Sec.203(b)(6))

- a. What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions? [Sec. 203(b)(6)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?** These gates would become part of the BLM road/gate system which is be monitored by the Ashland Resource Area Engineering Shop. If the gates are damaged BLM would be responsible for seeing that they are repaired. If gates are driven around, BLM would be responsible for blocking the bypass with large rocks or other materials.
- b. **How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?** N/A

What methods and measures of evaluation will be established to determine how well the proposed project improves the use of, or added value to, any products removed from National Forest System lands consistent with the purposes of this Act? [Sec. 203(b)(6) and Sec. 204(e)(3)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?** N/A

- d. **Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)**
Amount: None

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Location for Gate Installation